REMARKS

The Amendments

Claim 22 is canceled and claim 30 amended to address the 35 U.S.C. §112 rejection.

The amendments do not narrow the scope of the broadest claim.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more continuing and/or divisional applications directed to any subject matter disclosed in the application which has been canceled by any of the above amendments.

The Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph

The rejection of claims 22 and 30 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, is believed to be rendered moot by the above amendments. Claim 22 is canceled and claim 30 is amended to remove the terms which are indicated as giving rise to the rejection. Thus, the rejection should be withdrawn.

Since the sole remaining ground of rejection is believed to be rendered moot, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. However, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned to discuss any unresolved matters.

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